

# **KING SOLOMON WHITE:** *And the Early Baseballists of Bellaire, Ohio*

**BELLAIRE PUBLIC LIBRARY/GREAT STONE VIADUCT SOCIETY WINTER LECTURE SERIES**  
**Wednesday, 6 o'clock p.m. March 18, 2015, Community Room Bellaire Public Library**



On Wednesday, March 18, Daniel Frizzi, Jr. presents, "KING SOLOMON WHITE: And the Early Baseballists of Bellaire, Ohio".

Sol White, who was inducted into the MLB Hall of Fame in 2006, was a man of color who grew up and was educated in Bellaire, Ohio, after the Civil War. He learned to play baseball in the streets, alleys and vacant lands that was Bellaire in the 1870's and 1880's. Playing for the Bellaire Globes on an integrated baseball team, and later for the Wheeling Green Stockings, he went on to distinguish himself as a player, manager, and executive in the Negro Baseball Leagues. He is the author of "Sol White's History of Colored Baseball" which remains today as the oldest chronicle of those men who achieved greatness, though barred by race from Major League Baseball. He lived long enough to see the color barrier broken by Jackie Robinson, which Sol had long advocated.

Frizzi, a local attorney and author, is board member of the Great Stone Viaduct Historical Education Society, and serves as a Trustee for the Bellaire Public Library.